# **CHAPTER NO. 183**

### **HOUSE BILL NO. 1211**

# By Representatives Lynn, Black, Cochran

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 988

# By Senator Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 5, relative to elections.

# BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-208, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(I) On ballots in a referendum election held by a local government, any question submitted to the vote of the people shall be printed followed by the words "Yes" and "No", so that the voter can vote a preference by making a cross mark (X) opposite the proper word. Any question submitted to the people shall be worded in such a manner that a "yes" vote would indicate support for the measure and a "no" vote would indicate opposition.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 7, 2003

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER IOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2003

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